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**Guard Soldier to return home from Iraq**

RAPID CITY, S.D. – SPC Adam Palmiotto, a member of Detachment 2, 235th Military Police Company in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, will be returning home after spending more than 9 months in Iraq with the 191st Military Police Company from North Dakota in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

SPC Palmiotto is the son of Aleta and Joe Palmiotto of Dell Rapids, South Dakota and will return to South Dakota at 11:25 a.m. (CDT) on Sunday, Jan. 11, at the Sioux Falls Airport on Northwest Airlines. SPC Palmiotto served in multiple quick reaction force and security missions while deployed and earned the Combat Action Badge for his service.

SPC Palmiotto will be greeted by more than 50 members of the 235th Military Police Company and family members. Media is encouraged to attend this event. Please contact Maj. Murphy at (605) 737-6721 or cell (605) 431-8753, or e-mail [brendan.murphy1@us.army.mil](mailto:brendan.murphy1@us.army.mil). The contact at the Sioux Falls airport is Staff Sergeant Patrick Jones at (605) 929-4502

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**NOTE:** Since the terrorist attacks on America, the South Dakota National Guard has mobilized more than 3,100 Soldiers and 1,000 Airmen in support of the Global War on Terror.

Currently, more than 70 Soldiers and Airmen from the South Dakota National Guard remain on duty in Iraq, Afghanistan, and other locations throughout Southwest Asia and Europe. More than 4,300 National Guardsmen are available in South Dakota to provide support for state and national emergencies and homeland defense.